

## *Wade's December 2025 Newsletter*



Many people, including me, celebrate Christmas on December 25<sup>th</sup>. Some people question whether it is legitimate to do so. Like the second coming of Christ, Scripture does not predict a date nor even a time of year Christ would be born. Nor does it state an actual date nor time of year when He was born. The birth of Christ is not tied to any Old Testament feast as is true of His Death on the cross which happened at Passover.

Some claim there is historical indication that the early church decided to celebrate the birth of Christ on December 25th because the pagans were celebrating the winter solstice about that time. They were worshiping their false gods and it was thought if Christians were to celebrate the birth of Christ about the same time it could interest some of the pagans in Christianity. Does that mean that to celebrate Christ's birth on December 25th a person is somehow sinfully worshiping the false gods of long ago?

Consider this: There are about eight billion people in the world today. Dividing that number by 365 (number of days in a year) means that each day of the year, nearly 22 million people have their birthday. Does that mean every person celebrating their birthday on December 7<sup>th</sup> is celebrating the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor? What about those born on September 11<sup>th</sup>? Are they guilty of celebrating the attack on the Twin Towers? Of course not.

In the same way when I celebrate the birth of Christ on December 25<sup>th</sup>, I am not worshiping false gods. My heart is set upon the wonderful miraculous birth of the Son of God. On the miraculous announcement of the angels to the shepherds. The exact timing of the decree of Caesar Agustus that moved Mary and Joseph to the prophesied town of Bethlehem and at the exact time of the birth of Christ, (they just reached Bethlehem in time). Angels appeared to shepherds informing them. The wise men came later when Jesus was a child and they were



living in a house. But the star which led the wise men was miraculous non-the-less. How do we know? Because the star was not just a star or a group of planets or a comet. It pointed out the exact house Jesus was in. Matthew

chapter 1:18-chapter 2 and Luke chapter 2. *May you have a Wonderful Christmas as you place your heart upon the Lord Jesus Christ and the wonderful events of that first Christmas.*

### Care Show in September

In September our church participated in the local car show, as we did last year, to reach out to people with the Gospel. We were able to reach a number of kids with Gospel tracts as they participated in games we provided. Also, I was able to give out several Jesus Movies along with tracts but not nearly as many as last year. The difference is a teen boy came by our table and told me he wanted to talk about Charlie Kirk's assassination which had just happened three days before. He promised

to return shortly to visit. I waited for him but he never came back. I did, however, get a chance to talk to five police officers who were showing vintage and modern police cars near our table. I got a chance to express my appreciation to them for their service to the community and gave them a Jesus movie DVD which contains three movies, the original, a children's version and a version from the perspective of Mary Magdalene. It also contains a presentation of the Gospel.

### In the Nursing Home

One lady in the Nursing home voiced doubts about the resurrection of Christ. I have been reading her the event as recorded in the Gospels. Some days she feels up to it and some days not. Sometimes she attends the Bible Study. In addition to our group Bible Studies, I also do one-on-one Bible studies for those residents who cannot come to the group study. Topics vary according to need.

### New Residents

When new residents come, I try to connect with them as soon as possible. Often that takes several weeks depending on their health condition, sleep times, bathing schedule and appointments with nurses for blood tests, etc. And of course, doctor appointments. One lady I have been trying to connect with for several weeks suddenly came to our Bible Study last week. She was surprised to learn there is a lady in my church who knows her personally. She is from Japanese American background.

The Nursing Home residents have gone through a fearful time recently. It was discovered the Director was embezzling funds and was arrested. The city of Mitchell owns Mitchell Care Center and it moved quickly to

replace her. This has left the residents worried about the outcome. The new Director is very good about talking to the residents personally to overcome problems. Things seem to be getting better. Part of it has to do with the residents getting used to new employees and new ways of doing things.



This year our church participated again in the Shoebox Ministry of Samaritans Purse. I have been leading that ministry since our church began participating. This year more of our people went online to fill boxes. One member gave a large donation to the cause and we were able to prepare and give 55 boxes this year. Fifty-five boys and girls will learn of the Lord Jesus Christ for the first time and how to receive Christ. Whether or not they receive Christ they will be given a series of lessons called the “Greatest Journey” which teaches them how to live the Christian life. It also gives them further opportunity to receive Christ if they did not initially. The Greatest Journey lessons cost \$6.00 for each child. That cost was covered for all 55 boys and girls.



The history of the Christmas tree goes back to the country of Germany where it began as a Garden of Eden tree decorated with apples. Martin Luther was known to put candles on it. From there it has grown to what it is today. For the most part when the German people migrated to other countries,

they took the tradition of the Christmas tree with them. It is a festive way to enjoy the Christmas Holiday. We just need to make sure the decorations honor the Lord. We could think of the evergreen as representing everlasting life.

Each one of you is a special part of this ministry. Your prayers are so important. I am not permitted to share names and pictures of residents without permission from the resident, their family and the nursing home. But the Lord knows exactly how to apply your prayers to the person or group you are praying for. He is faithful to answer.

I depend on your prayers for preparation, for ministry, for daily strength, for guidance. The Lord knows my need and exactly how to apply your prayers. For you and for those who give to help this ministry we will all be rewarded by our dear Lord Jesus Christ at the Judgement Seat of Christ. On that day you will be highly honored as you deserve. Thank you so much for your partnership in this ministry.

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In my September Newsletter I had asked you to pray for my brother Wesley who was going to have shoulder surgery. The surgery was successful and he is going through the physical therapy. It is a slow and painful process. He cannot use his left arm for any work at all. He is back to work at the post office doing everything with his partially debilitated right arm. It is challenging. Please pray for full healing. Thank you!

